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CAP43 PROTEINS AND NUCLEIC ACIDS TO DIAGNOSE AND TREAT CANCER AND

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Examiner: Susan Nmn UNGAR

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.142 AND 143

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Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action mailed on October 6, 2003 for this application and in accordance with Rules 142 and 143 of the Rules of Practice, please enter and consider the accompanying remarks. It is believed that no Extensions of Time and no fees are required for this response. Nevertheless, Applicants respectfully request that the Commissioner also consider this document as a Petition for any Extension(s) of Time, should the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office determine that such Extensions of Time are required, and that the required Extension(s) be granted. A Fee Transmittal letter is also submitted, requesting and authorizing the Commissioner to charge any required fee(s) during the pendancy of this application and/or to credit any overpayment to our Deposit Account No. 04-0100.

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